exemption has been granted in levying property tax in respect of private properties in unauthorized colonies and assessments/recoveries of taxes are made in accordance with the provisions of NDMC Act 1994. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) has also reported that property tax is being levied on most of the houses in unauthorized colonies in accordance with the rules laid down on the subject.

The Hon'ble Delhi High Court has permitted supply of electricity and water to the pre-1993 unauthorised colonies. It has also permitted construction of roads and drains in such unauthorized colonies on private land. Action is being taken by local bodies/Authority from time to time accordingly.

Dilapidated condition of Govt, quarters in Kali Bari Marg

† 2659. SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government quarters situated at K,H and J Blocks in Kali Bari Marg are in a dilapidated condition;

(b) whether the balconies and roofs of the quarters are heavily damaged and the outside plasters have also been eroded;

(c) if so, the reasons for not repairing these quarters; and •

(d) by when Government propose to get these quarters repaired?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPEMNT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir. The quarters situated at K,H and J Blocks at Kali Bari Marg are not in dilapidated condition. However some distress is seen in a few quarters.

(b) Balconies of 15 quarters are damaged. In some quarters the external plasters has started peeling off and distress is seen in some chajjas and roof projections.

(c) Repair works is a continuous process and is carried out within the available budget. Separate tender for repair of quarters where stress is seen in K,H and J Blocks at Kali Bari Marg are being invited.

(d) The repair work will be started at the earliest and completed in next financial year subject to availability of funds and subject to cooperation extended by allottees in allowing repair work to be carried in their houses.

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.